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RESPONSE

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REMARKS

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on June 5, 2007. In the Office Action, all claims 1-15 were rejected. With this response, no claims are amended and all claims are presented for reconsideration and allowance.

Section Two of the Office Action indicated that independent claims 1 and 12, among others, were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by Gould et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,839,669-hereinafter Gould). Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection in view of the following.

U.S. Patent No. 6,839,669, is a lengthy reference directed to performing actions identified in recognized speech. Generally, the Gould reference provides techniques that allow users to draw benefits of large vocabulary continuous speech recognition while away from the desktop. See column 1, lines 59-62. More specifically, the techniques generally employs a voice recorder (See column 2, line 9) or direct connection via a telephone (See column 2, line 27) where the user issues a voice command. "After transferring data from the recorder, the interface software 380 provides the digital samples for an action item to the speech recognition software 360." Column 7, lines 30-32. Further, Gould provides, "In general, the speech recognition software